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ISRAELI PAPER SCORES KISSINGER REMARKS

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(EDITORIAL: "KISSINGER IS CLIMBING THE WALLS")

(TEXT) IT WOULD HAVE BEEN MUCH FAIRER HAD THE AMERICAN SECRETARY OF STATE IMPOSED A MEASURE OF SILENCE UPON HIMSELF, AT LEAST WHILE TALKS REGARDING THE FATE OF OUR REGION ARE TAKING PLACE. THE SITUATION IS TENSE AS IT IS AND ANY SUPERFLUOUS WORD MIGHT, IN THE PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES, INCREASE THAT TENSION EVEN FURTHER.

HOWEVER, KISSINGER HAS A DIFFERENT OPINION: HE CONTINUES TO SPEAK IN PUBLIC AS IF NOTHING IS HAPPENING HERE AND AS IF NO ENERGETIC DIPLOMATIC CONTACTS ARE BEING CARRIED OUT BETWEEN US, WHILE HIS EVERY WORD CONSTITUTES PRESSURE ON US--

IN THE LAST TWO DAYS ALONE WE HEARD HIM SAY--IN HIS MANY PUBLIC APPEARANCES--THAT: A) IF WE INTERFERE IN HIS EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE AN INTERIM SETTLEMENT, WASHINGTON WILL INSIST UPON A FINAL SOLUTION, BECAUSE IT WILL NOT TOLERATE ANOTHER DEADLOCK IN OUR AREA; AND-- B) THAT THE FINAL SOLUTION WILL INCLUDE UNPLEASANT THINGS FOR US, SUCH AS THE "PROBLEM" OF JERUSALEM, THE "PALESTINIAN" SUBJECT, THE SUBJECT OF BORDERS (THE HINT BEING TO THE ROGERS BORDERS), THE ISSUE OF REFUGEE REPATRIATION (ARAB REFUGEES, OF COURSE) AND SO FORTH; AND-- C) HE IS WAVING BEFORE OUR EYES "GOING TO GENEVA AND THE HARMONY LIABLE TO BE ESTABLISHED BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION AGAINST US; AND-- D) HE IS REMINDING US OF THE "REASSESSMENT" AND THE MILITARY AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE OR NONASSISTANCE TO US WHICH IS APT TO BE DETERMINED BY "OUR BEHAVIOUR"; E) NOR IS HE FORGETTING THE "GUARANTEES" THAT WASHINGTON IS LIKELY TO GIVE US. HE IS NOT FORGETTING, AND HINTS--WITH NOT MUCH FINESSE EITHER--THAT THE SCOPE OF THE GUARANTEES DEPENDS ON THE MOOD OF THE AMERICAN SENATE, WHOSE SUPPORT WE SHALL ALSO LOSE IF WE ANNOY IT; F) TO THE SYRIANS TOO, HE SUGGESTS WITH A WINK, WE SHALL HAVE TO CONCEDE MORE, AND HERE HE IS TRYING TO GET CORROBORATION FROM S. PERES. AND HE ALSO INCITES HIS NEW AMBASSADOR TO ISRAEL, M. TOON, AND EVEN FORD HIMSELF AGAINST US, BY WHISPERING IN HIS EAR THAT WE ARE THE ONES WHO FEED THE NEW YORK TIMES WITH LEAKS. IN SHORT--HE IS BRANDISHING A BIG WHIP OVER ISRAEL AT THIS TIME OF DIFFICULT, CRUCIAL DECISIONS.

NO WONDER EVEN RABIN HAS LOST HIS COOL AND SAID IN LONDON THAT SINCE NOT ALL OF KISSINGER'S ASSUMPTIONS HAD BEEN REALIZED IN THE PAST, THERE IS NO NEED TO TAKE THEM TOO SERIOUSLY NOW EITHER....

AND TRULY, THIS SEEMS TO BE THE RIGHT ANSWER TO THE ARROWS DISPATCHED BY KISSINGER AND THE TEAM OF HIS AIDES: TO SHOW HIM, THE ARABS AND THE AMERICAN PUBLIC THAT IT WILL NOT BE HIS PRESSURES THAT WILL FINALLY DECIDE THE ISSUE HERE.

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